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THE FENIAN FIGHT.

Fifth Day's Proceedings of the Fenian Convention—The O'Mahony Indorsed—Establishment of a "Bureau of Military Justice"—General Sweeney's Vindication—A dress to Brotherhood from the Fenian Secretary of War.

The fifth session of the Fenian Congress was held on Saturday morning at Clinton Hall. At nine o'clock the Speaker, Mr. Corbett, took the chair, and the House was called to order.

A CALL FOR THE BOOKS AND ACCOUNTS. The proceedings were opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Curley, after which a resolution was adopted calling for all the books, accounts, and reports of the organization, in order to enable the House to investigate the present condition of the organization, and try the charges against the Secretary, and also the articles of impeachment against Colonel O'Mahony.

THE CHARGES READ. Colonel O'Mahony then presented a list of charges against the Secretary, the substance of which has been previously published. The Colonel accuses the Secretary of having hindered the sale of the bonds of the Irish Republic, by publishing charges against himself and other officers, which created insubordination in the ranks, and gave aid and comfort to the enemy.

THE TRIAL. A delegate moved that on Tuesday the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to investigate the charges against the Secretary, and answer the charges made against them.

Another resolution was subsequently approved directing the clerk to notify the members of the Senate to appear before the House on Tuesday next, and answer the charges made against them.

Mr. Pierce Keenan, of this city, then made some remarks, exhorting the Congress to act firmly, and take such action as may write the Brotherhood. He closed by presenting \$500 to the clerk as a subscription.

A recess till 3 P. M. was ordered.

A CALL ON PRESIDENT ROBERTS AND P. O'BROURIE THE TREASURER.

After the recess a committee, consisting of one delegate from each State, was appointed to wait on Colonel Roberts and P. O'Rourke, to obtain from them all the books, papers, money, etc., in their possession belonging to the Order, but the committee were unable to perfect their labor, and on their return reported progress.

Subsequently they presented the following REPLY OF PRESIDENT ROBERTS.

To the Members of the F. B.—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st inst., and in reply to inform you that I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st inst., and in reply to inform you that I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st inst.

THE SECRETARIES FROM IRELAND, whose conduct, as alleged, led them to leave the country, lest they might be taken into custody, would, if published, astonish many of our citizens. They are necessarily omitted. Should they be found guilty of "cowardice in the face of the enemy," it is not yet known what punishment they will receive. It is said that these Fenian deserters received large sums from the treasury.

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BROTHERHOOD. On Saturday evening a public meeting of the Brotherhood was held in Clinton Hall, Judge McCormick, of Ohio, presiding.

Mr. James Fenian was the first speaker. He thanked God that the action of the Congress was in session in the hall in which he now stood had placed the organization in a safe position. He then referred to the men out west who had encouraged Mr. Roberts in his course, and stated that now, when they found the current running against him, they would forsake him and leave him to battle himself. He believed, however, that Mr. Roberts was a high-minded man, but he was mistaken in his course.

Mr. John M. Moriarty, of Philadelphia, was next introduced by complimentary remarks from the Chairman. Mr. Moriarty said he did not like speech-making just now. There was more music in the crack of one rifle than there was in a dozen speeches. There were men now in the Congress who were determined to win the freedom of Ireland. He said he indorsed Colonel O'Mahony from the bottom of his heart.

He charged the Senate with doing what was wrong, and considered the Canadian scheme an outrage; they had no right to attack a friendly people, who did not invite them. With O'Mahony and Mitchell—(cheers)—we will march against the enemy with the sunburst dazzling their eyes. The charges against John O'Mahony have been proved to be false. (Applause.)

Belief addresses were then made by Messrs. Meany, J. E. Fitzgerald, Dr. Cowley, and others; after which the meeting adjourned.—New York World.

General Sweeney's Vindication. ADDRESS FROM THE FENIAN SECRETARY OF WAR TO THE BROTHERHOOD—THE ENEMIES OF FENIAN ENTRY STOPPED.

Gentlemen and Brothers:—The very incorrect reports of the fourth day's proceedings of the Fenian Convention, now assembled in this city, which have appeared in the daily papers, compel me, in justice to myself, to lay before you a full and plain statement of the facts as they occurred.

A delegation of the Fenian Brotherhood, sent from the Convention for that purpose, waited on me at my office and invited me to appear before the "Congress," then sitting at Clinton Hall, which invitation I respectfully declined, stating my reasons to be, first, that I believed I should only expose myself to insult and misapprehension; and, secondly, that I did not recognize the legality of that body.

They called on me a second time, and earnestly desired my attendance, assuring me that neither insult nor misapprehension should impede, and urging that my presence might do much to restore peace and harmony. Under these circumstances, and anxious, as I trust I ever am, to promote the welfare of the Brotherhood, I waived my objections, and accompanied them. The result proved that my apprehensions were not unfounded. After their pressing invitations, though my arrival was greeted with apparent warmth, my efforts at conciliation were met with certain parties, who I had previously named to the delegation, with insult and outrage.

I was denounced as not being a Fenian, and my right to be on the floor denied, although the Convention had sent for me themselves. I was subjected to a series of personal and impudent interruptions and cross-questionings, having no other tendency than to widen the breach already existing. My statement that I had never taken the pledge was qualified by the explanation that I had taken the pledge of a Fenian, and I have the honor to be a member, and into which I was unanimously elected, as a commitment to me, that no pledge should be required, although I signified my willingness then to take it.

This explanation, which should have appeared in the newspaper reports, was not regarded by these men, nor, when asked if I was willing to take the pledge before the Convention, was my prompt offer to do so accepted, showing an evident intention to place me in a false position. I certainly was not aware until then that the slightest doubt of my loyalty to the cause existed, and it is rather too late to predicate such an idea on a fact well known to the Congress at Philadelphia, having been stated by no less a person than Mr. Mullen, the friend and admirer of Mr. O'Mahony.

I can certainly afford to despise any such attempt, after a lifetime of devotion to freedom of my native land. In my interview with the Convention I carefully avoided anything which could be construed into personalities, until badgered and outraged by questions the purport of which was only to promote dissension and distrust. I then felt compelled to accuse one of my opponents publicly with having uttered two deliberate falsehoods, then and there, declaring that I could repose no confidence in his veracity.

THIRD EDITION

A TOUCH OF WINTER!

ABOUT THE COLD SNAP.

The Coldest Day in Thirty Years!

Ice on the Schuylkill Four Inches Thick.

THE DELAWARE FROZEN OVER.

A Bridge of Ice to Smith's Island.

Thermometer Ten Degrees Below Zero.

AN OLD-FASHIONED WINTER.

Thermometer.

January 7—6 A. M. 10 degrees below zero.

Muffled up in scarfs and furs, like a bear or a kles-kingle, the oldest inhabitant came down to the Telegraph office this morning, just after breakfast, to tell our reporter that this is the coldest day we have had for thirty years.

It required an unprecedented amount of presence to foretell a snap like this, for change is written on everything, and on nothing more than the winter months in our latitude.

On every hand skates were being prepared yesterday, and the proprietors of a skating park, who the day before talked of letting that place of resort as a bathing pond, were selling season tickets to skaters by the dozen.

Yes! the Winter King, like ancient Thor, clothed with all the insignia of his royalty, made a triumphant entry into these regions last night. This is his first grand march in this direction.

WASHINGTON.

Special Despatches to The Evening Telegraph.

Important Bill—Financial Relief—Funding the Debt.

Mr. Morrill, has introduced a bill for reference to the Ways and Means Committee, and to be printed, which comes from Secretary McCulloch. It gives him power to fund all the obligations of the Government in forty year bonds, and six per cent. interest, the principal payable in coin.

The Tennessee Senators.

Case of Ketchum and the Chief Justice.

Canadian Cattle to be Imported Under Conditions.

FROM BALTIMORE TO-DAY.

Special Despatches to The Evening Telegraph.

BALTIMORE, January 8.—The thermometer this morning marked six degrees below zero.

PHILADELPHIA Trade Report.

MONDAY, January 8.—The extreme cold weather has closed the river and smaller streams, and there is no produce coming forward by water.

THE EVANS REOPENED AT

GIFT BOOK SALE,

NO. 628 CHESTNUT ST.

NEW BOOKS, NEW GIFTS,

NEW FEATURES.

TWO GIFTS FOR

BUY ALL YOUR

GIFT STORE.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT IN BANC—Chief Justice Woodward, and Justices Strong, Read, and Agnew.

By Woodward, C. J.—Abner Scott et al. vs. John W. Scott. Error to Common Pleas of Erie county. Judgment affirmed.

In the matter of the road from George Bliss to Candy Lick creek. Certiorari to Quarter Sessions of Jefferson county. Proceedings set aside.

By Read, J.—John R. Campbell et al. vs. Chas. C. McLean. Appeal from Common Pleas, Indiana county. Decree affirmed at the cost of the appellant.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

OFFICE OF THE EVENING TELEGRAPH.

Monday, January 8, 1866.

The Stock Market opened very dull this morning, and prices are unsettled and drooping.

In Government bonds there is less doing; old 5-20s sold at 104; new do. at 102; 6s of 1851 at 104, interest off; and 7-30s at 98½.

City loans are less active. Sales of the new issue are making at 92½.

Railroad shares have declined, with sales of Reading at 51½, the former rate a decline of 1; Northern Pennsylvania at 31; Catawissa preferred at 45. 12s was bid for Camden and Amboy; 95 for Pennsylvania Railroad; 30 for Little Schuylkill; 63 for Norristown; 64 for Minehill; 29 for Catawissa common; and 30 for Philadelphia and Erie.

In City Passenger Railroad shares there is nothing doing. 50 was bid for Fifth and Sixth; 30 for Spruce and Pine; and 34 for Hestonville. Bank shares continue in good demand at full prices, but we hear of no sales. 195 was bid for North America; 119 for Farmers' and Merchants; 48 for Commercial; 87 for Northern Liberties; 70 for Western; 39 for Consolidation; and 52 for Union.

In Oil shares there is rather more doing, but prices continue irregular. Maple Shade sold at 51; Bra at 35½; Sugar Creek at 5; and Ocean Oil at 18.

Messrs. Jay Cooke & Co. announce their removal to their magnificent bank and office, No. 114, Third street, a full description of which will be found on our eighth page. This firm, which has done so much to nationalize the city of Philadelphia as a centre of finance, have admitted Messrs. Henry D. Cooke, Harris C. Fahnestock, Pitts Cooke, John W. Sexton, and George C. Thomas as partners, with Messrs. Jay Cooke and William G. Moorhead, who established the house, now comprise the largest and wealthiest banking firm in the State of Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA STOCK EXCHANGE SALES TO-DAY. Reported by De Haven & Sons, No. 408, Third street.

FIRST BOARD

8000 U S 5-20s 62 102 20 sh Reading, lots 62

8000 do. 50 102 40 sh do. lots 62

8000 do. 185-102 100 sh do. 62

8000 U S 7 30s July 98 200 sh do. lots 62

8000 do. small. 98 100 sh do. 62

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8000 City 6s. new. 98 100 sh do. 62

8000 do. lots. 92 41 sh Gtn pas. 45

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8000 Cam & Am. 89. 91 200 sh Del Div. 41

2 sh Big M. 7 80 sh N Penn's 81

100 sh Maple shade 41 100 sh Sugar Ok. 5

50 sh Erie Oil. 3-50 100 sh Can. 48

50 sh Sel N pl. 29 100 sh do. 48

100 sh do. 180. 20 100 sh N Central. 45

17 sh do. 140 100 sh do. 45

120 sh Manayunk pas 91 500 sh Shamok Cl. 10

10 sh Richmond pas 46 400 sh Clinton Coal. 11

SALES AT PUBLIC STOCK BOARD TO-DAY. Reported by F. T. Walton, No. 208 S. Fourth street.

FIRST CALL.

8000 U S 7-30s June 98 100 sh Reading. 630 62

1000 KeyStone. 70 100 sh do. 32 62

PHILADELPHIA GOLD EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

10 A. M. 141 1/2 M. 140

11 A. M. 140 1/2 P. M. 140

Market Gold.

HARPER, DUNN & Co. quote as follows—

American Gold. 140 1/2

American Silver. 120 1/2

THE COLD WEATHER.

New York, January 8.—Noon.—Despatches from all the telegraph stations north and west, dated at 8 o'clock this morning, show that the thermometer ranges from 30 degrees below to 1 degree above zero.

At Albany, January 7.—The weather is clear and cold. During the last twenty-four hours the mercury has ranged from 2 to 12 degrees below zero.

At Troy, January 7.—The thermometer indicates 19 degrees below zero.

At Buffalo, January 7.—This is the coldest day of the year. The thermometer indicated 5 degrees below zero this morning. The weather this evening is clear. There is no snow.

At Detroit, January 7.—Weather clear and cold; blowing hard. The passengers are crossing the river on the ice to-day.

At St. Louis, January 7.—Weather clear and cold; river full of ice.

At Cincinnati, January 7.—Weather clear and cold; windy. Thermometer six degrees above zero.

At Baltimore, January 7.—To-day has been the coldest day of the season. There was a slight fall of snow this morning. The wind changed to the westward about noon, the cold increasing intensely. The thermometer to-night indicates 7 degrees above zero.

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At New Haven, January 7.—Thermometer at 11 P. M. 7 degrees below zero.

At Worcester, Mass., January 7.—Cold day here. Thermometer at noon stood at zero; at 10 P. M., 10 degrees below zero.

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